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In reply refer to:  
LETTER NO. ASCA

As of 1 June 1952

TO : Assistant Director for Communications

FROM : Deputy Chief Communications, ASCA

SUBJECT: General - ASCA Communications Report

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

Specific - Monthly Report for May, 1952

Following is the monthly report as of 1 June 1952:

NARRATIVE SECTION, is a brief summary of general items and developments, including a recapitulation of the functions and operations of all ASCA Stations.

ANNEX I, Telecommunications Activities, presents a circuit diagram of radio and teletype links within ASCA.

ANNEX II, [redacted] indicates all signal plans with appropriate operational project names. As compiled by [redacted]

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ANNEX III, Training Activities, lists all training functions in ASCA and is prepared by [redacted]

ANNEX IV, Traffic Reports and Commo Security. Commo Security is written by [redacted] Traffic Report were submitted separately.

ANNEX V, Engineering Activities, Radio Maintenance, Power and teletype Maintenance. Radio Maintenance section is prepared by [redacted] and the teletype section prepared by [redacted]

ANNEX VI, Personnel, covers all Personnel Administration. Prepared by Administration Section.

ANNEX VII, Administration, considers housing requirements, material shipping instructions and other administrative information, prepared by [redacted]

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At the closing of this month's report the incumbent Chief and Deputy Chief ASCA and staff take pleasure in welcoming the new Chief and Deputy Chief ASCA - [REDACTED] - to this Area. They will assume their respective duties the 9th of June 1952. [REDACTED] will leave on the 18th of June while the undersigned will remain in the Area for an indefinite period at the moment.

25X1 As this is the last monthly report from ASCA compiled for signature by [REDACTED] in his present capacity, it is felt that this moment is an opportune time on behalf of the staff and personnel under [REDACTED] for expressions of good will, best wishes and the greatest respect for a very excellent job done by him while he served as Chief, ASCA. His pleasing personality along with his ardent devotion to his assignment, his co-workers and the agency will not be forgotten by those who knew him.

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25X1 Authority has been received from the home office to manufacture 100 power supplies for the RSK/SMT sets made by [REDACTED] and also for the production of 500 RSK/SMT modified sets to cover 5 to 12 MCS which are mostly for [REDACTED]. Production has also been started on 300 SCR-300 which will be available sometime in August. The first models, however, will start coming off the production line the middle of July. The quality of material from this company is excellent and they are very careful to please us in every way possible.

25X1 The following pages of this Narrative Section is a recapitulation of the status of ASCA Stations as a guide for [REDACTED] and for up-to-date information for the Home Office.

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Principal functions - Staff support for [ ] Headquarters for ASCA including Executive offices, Operations and Plans, ASCA Signal Centers, Communications Training, Maintenance and Supply, Cryptographic and Security, and Security, and Communications Administration.

Equipment - Two position radio base station for staff and training circuits and emergency back-up. Six tradon units with three bay teletype channels, complete maintenance equipment, 40 KVA emergency power.

Personnel - In addition to headquarters offices, 15-man Signal Center, Three Commo Tech/Radio operators plus transients and trainees, eight-man maintenance and supply section, 3 Communications Training Instructors.

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Comments - All offices, Signal Center, Maintenance and Supply sections operating somewhat short handed. Cryptographers and Crypto Supervisors, tradon maintenance and Secretarial help is urgently needed.

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Improvements in message processing at [ ] are in order. Due to the large number of copies of messages required for distribution, when additional personnel are available a Ditto Section and a message editing staff should be set up.

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On-line circuits with [ ] should considerably improve message handling time and personnel time saving.

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Principal functions - Staff Communications Support [ ] Headquarters, Japan.

Equipment - Two each Tradon units.

Personnel - Two Commo Tech/Cryptographers. One of these men also maintains tradon equipment.

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Circuits - Tie line to [ ] Holds ciphers with [ ] Washington  
and [ ]

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Communications personnel at [ ] are operating on a heavy schedule.  
When additional personnel arrive in ASCA one or two additional Cryptographers  
should be assigned this station.

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A "Special Communications Representative" of ASCA to [ ] would also  
be desirable so that ASCA may be properly represented to [ ] on operational  
problems and that [ ] receive advice and guidance on their communications  
problems.

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Principal Functions - Serves as staff Communications Support for the Senior  
Representative [ ]

Equipment - Two each tradon units.

Personnel - Three Commo Tech/Cryptographers

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Circuits - Tie line to [ ] Holds ciphers with Washington, [ ]  
and [ ]

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**SECURITY INFORMATION**

25X1 [redacted]  
25X1 Comments - Maintenance of equipment performed by [redacted] personnel,  
Tokyo.

25X1 [redacted] served by courier daily for [redacted] Traffic load  
25X1 warrants addition of approximately two Cryptographers to [redacted] when available.  
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25X1 Principal Functions - Communications Training [redacted] personnel. Staff  
25X1 communications support [redacted] Headquarters.

Equipment - Communications training equipment for instruction of approxi-  
mately 125 trainees.

Personnel - Two Communications Instructors.

25X1 Circuits - Traffic outlet via courier to [redacted] plus training circuits.

25X1 Comments - Increase in traffic this station possibly will warrant install-  
25X1 ation tradon equipment tied [redacted] and the assignment of tradon operators.

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25X1 Principal Functions - Staff Communications Support for [redacted]  
25X1 radio back-up base for [redacted] Operations such as [redacted]  
and assisting in setting up [redacted] Project of [redacted] Operation.

Equipment - One radio operating position with spare radio equipment and  
adequate auxiliary power; fair antenna lay out. Little possibility for expansion  
nor is expansion contemplated.

Personnel - One Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographer. No other personnel  
required.

25X1 Circuits - Manual C.W. daily contact [redacted] teletype  
facilities available for back-up.

25X1 Comments - [redacted] Logistical support  
25X1 available from local [redacted] Operator satisfied to  
remain in assignment and has several months to serve on present tour. No  
25X1 immediate problems this station. Telephone service between [redacted]  
is good. Present traffic volume is light.

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Principal Functions - Serves as staff communications support for [redacted] operations from this station and supports [redacted] Equipped to work operational boats based at this station.

Equipment - One radio operating position with complete spares and adequate auxiliary power. Good antenna lay out. Expansion of this station easily feasible.

Personnel - One Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographer. No additional communications personnel required under present operational requirements.

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Circuits - Manual C.W. daily contact [redacted] teletype facilities [redacted] available for back-up.

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Principal Functions - Class "A" radio station to cover all of East Asia

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Equipment - Present interim station has 10 operating positions using both [redacted] sites. Radio teletype or land line outlet not yet installed. Specifications of final station well known to [redacted]

Personnel - Chief, Commo Station and three Commo Tech/Radio operator/Cryptographers. Chief, Construction and three Engineers and one supply man.

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Circuits - Manual C.W. [redacted]

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Principal Functions - Furnishes staff communications

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Works liaison circuit

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circuit. Several other island and sea borne circuits forthcoming.

Equipment - One set tradon complete with additional set being shipped for installation in June. One radio position with full spares and auxiliary power. One set emergency evacuation equipment.

Personnel - Three Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographers and one Commo Tech/Cryptographer with at least one additional man scheduled for assignment this station approximately middle of June. Training personnel regularly stationed

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Circuits - Teletype via

with Manual C.W.

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back-up for both stations. Manual C.W. circuits

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Equipment - Six agent radio operating positions. Complete spares and complete maintenance shop. One set tradon equipment. Training equipment for safe house and classroom instruction for approximately 60 students (this includes ). presently ill-equipped for electric power. Diesel units now on requisition. Auxiliary SCR-399 complete parked in separate compound for emergency use in event destruction

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Personnel - Chief, Commo, [redacted] One operations and Plans Officer, one Maintenance and Supply man, one Commo Tech/Cryptographer, two Communications Training Officers, five unclassified [redacted] men for general unclassified duties

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Circuits - U.S. teletype to [redacted] Manual C.W. circuits for back-up above facilities. Manual C.W. staff circuit [redacted] Training circuits.

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It is further important that [redacted] replace [redacted] for [redacted] circuits in the event of a withdrawal from [redacted] Traffic then would be relayed to an operational Headquarters elsewhere [redacted]

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Telephone service between [redacted] is fair.

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Principal Functions - Staff Communications Support [redacted]  
[redacted] (Far East Logistic Base), communications agent working base for [redacted]  
Operation. Radio relay base for [redacted] (Priority) traffic. Monitor station  
for back-up other circuits working in ASCA.

Equipment - 4 Position radio base station, two tradon units, Antrec-1 bay  
equipment with [redacted] Headquarters, auxilliary power.

Personnel - One Chief of Station, one Chief Radio Operator, one Cryptographic  
and Security Officer, five Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographers. Latter  
five mentioned are newly arrived personnel, not well qualified, and considered  
in training. Additional three radio operator/cryptographers required at this  
station.

Circuits - Teletype [redacted] Manual C.W. back-up to  
[redacted] Manual C.W. [redacted]. Manual C.W. [redacted] Formerly  
handled [redacted] relay.

Comments - Construction permanent receiver/transmitter station of 10 positions  
in support [redacted] soon to get underway. Consideration must be given to  
addition of suitable Signal Center facilities in support of the full scale Far  
Eastern Logistical Base. 10 position radio base should be more than adequate  
to serve [redacted] operations which are now on a much smaller scale than initially  
planned. Present antenna field oriented covering [redacted] primarily.  
Sufficient space available for considerable expansion antenna field and addition  
of building if necessary.

Principal Functions - Serves as staff communications support [redacted] units  
operating [redacted] serves as traffic outlet for [redacted] Operation and  
temporarily as outlet for [redacted] Assists in training and  
working of joint [redacted]

EQUIPMENT - Two sets tradon equipment, two Radio operating positions. Poor  
antennas. Little possibility for improvement. No possibility for expansion  
present facilities. Complete spares and auxilliary power on hand. Tradon  
maintenance performed by [redacted] section.

Personnel - Three Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographers. One Operator  
newly arrived and poorly qualified. Two additional combination men required  
this station.

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Circuits - Teletype

Manual C.W.

traffic.

Manual C.W.

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Comments - This [redacted] in need of entirely new base radio station location allowing for improvement in antenna facilities and removal from noise in city.

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This station handling very heavy volume traffic including very important

traffic. Recent re-routing of Teletype Channel

via [redacted] has delayed traffic somewhat and caused spotty copy.

Circuit should be restored as soon as possible especially for expeditious handling weather traffic.

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Principal Functions - Serves as Staff Communications Support

Relays by radio traffic hand-passed from

station.

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Equipment - One radio operating position

using organizational equipment. radio equipment available for back-up if necessary.

Personnel - One Commo Tech-Radio Operator/Cryptographer. Traffic load warrants additional radio operator/cryptographer as soon as available.

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Circuits - Works Manual C.W. Circuit which relays

Handles moderately heavy volume traffic and moderately light volume

traffic.

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Principal Functions - Originally constructed as back-up operational base for [redacted] Will probably now become headquarters for duplicate [redacted] type activity in South East Asia. Formerly served as [redacted] circuits in Southeast Asia. Circuits ultimately transferred [redacted] Station presently serving as staff communications link for personnel directing construction.

Equipment - Four radio operating positions. Radio teletype circuit (Antec-1, CF-1, CF-2 Bays) [redacted] Power generated at station. Expansion of this station feasible using [redacted] as receiving station and keying transmitters based in [redacted]

Personnel - One construction Engineer, One Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographer.

Circuits - Works one [redacted] tied in to [redacted] teletype. Holds ciphers with [redacted]

Comments - Definite plans nebulous pending construction of Class "A" [redacted] transfer of SEACA circuits from [redacted] and establishment of Southeast Asia [redacted] type facility. Transfer of SEACA circuits to [redacted] would necessitate transfer large number communications personnel from ASCA to [redacted] since transfer present operators these circuits from [redacted] briefed all facets this complex.

Principal Functions - Serves as Staff Communications Support for [redacted] Activities at [redacted] - Primarily liaison with [redacted]

Equipment - No radio or Teletype equipment.

Personnel - One Commo Tech/Radio Operator/Cryptographer. Almost a complete waste of time for the one man stationed here.

Circuits - Crypto channels [redacted]

Comments - Have recommended to the Chief [redacted] that this station be closed out since it does not warrant the assignment of Communications personnel. Chief [redacted] agreed and station will be closed approximately 1 July 1952. Traffic for any operations personnel assigned to this station may be filed with SEACA [redacted] or with [redacted] Station.

Deputy Chief ASCA

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